

## MINUTES

### COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR AIKEN COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 736 RICHLAND AVENUE, AIKEN, S. C.

REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 5, 2005 – 7:00 P.M.

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#### (A) CALL TO ORDER

Determining that a quorum was present, Chairman Young called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Council Member present:

Chairman Ronnie Young  
Kathy Rawls  
Scott Singer  
Eddie Butler  
Charles Barton  
Gary Bunker  
Willar H. Hightower, Jr.

Also present:

J. Clay Killian, County Administrator  
Robert M. Bell, County Attorney  
Chris Ceasar, Assistant Council Clerk

Absent:

LaWana McKenzie  
Chuck Smith

#### (B) INVOCATION

Councilman Hightower led in the invocation.

#### (C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Bunker led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### (D) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. March 15, 2005 Worksession
2. March 15, 2005 Regular Meeting

- a. Councilman Butler made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Rawls seconded.

#### (E) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilman Butler made a motion to make changes to the agenda:

- a. Change Awards and Recognitions #1 to read Child Abuse Prevention Month
- b. Change Consent #6 from Abbeville Avenue to Tennessee Lane
- c. Delete Consent #8
- d. Add Consent #15 – resolution recognizing the youth council of the Aiken County branch of the NAACP for their participation in the Aiken High School meeting of a session of the County's "Together Aiken County" Strategic Planning Consortium.
- e. Add Consent # 16 – resolution to add Satcher Pond (C-520) back to the list of roads to be paved utilizing the 2000 capital projects sales tax.
- f. Councilman Butler made the motion for adoption. Councilman Hightower seconded.
- g. Passed by unanimous vote.

(F) AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1. Proposed Resolution to Proclaim April as Child Abuse ~~Protection~~ Prevention Month.  
(County Council)
  - a. Councilman Hightower made a motion for the approval. Councilman Butler seconded.
  - b. Passed by unanimous vote.
  - c. Ms. Peggy Ford made a presentation to County Council concerning child abuse in Aiken County. She thanked Council for their help and the proclamation. Mr. Hightower presented the proclamation to Ms. Ford.

(G) PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Proposed Ordinance to Relinquish any Residual Ownership in the Council on Aging Offices Located on Morgan Street in Aiken.
  - a. No comments were made.

(H) OLD BUSINESS

1. Proposed Ordinance to Authorize the Council Chairman to Execute Documents Related to a Loan to Aiken County from Aiken Electric Cooperative for the Hydrogen Lab at the Savannah River Research Campus.  
(County Council) (Third Reading)
  - a. Councilman Hightower made a motion for the approval. Councilwoman Rawls seconded.
  - b. Passed by unanimous vote.
  - c. Mr. Bill Inman, Aiken Electric Cooper, presented a check in the amount of \$380,000, with a low interest rate, to the County.

(I) CONSENT AGENDA/INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

I. REGULAR CONSENT AGENDA

1. Proposed Resolution to Appoint One Member to Designated Boards, Commissions and Committees with Terms of the Appointees to Run Concurrent with that of the Councilmember from Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7.  
(Rawls, Singer, McKenzie, Smith, Barton, Bunker)
2. Proposed Resolution to Appoint Members to the Animal Control Advisory Committee.  
(County Council)
3. Proposed Resolution to Approve the Allocation of Funds for Various Non Profit Agencies from the FY 2005 Council Contingency Fund.  
(County Council)
4. Proposed Resolution to Recognize the 10<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Anniversary of The Reverend Timothy O. Williams of Montmorenci Missionary Baptist Church.  
(Hightower)
5. Proposed Resolution Expressing Congratulations to Mr. Ed Hammons for Nine Years of Untiring, Patriotic, and Civic Dedication as He Held the Office of Detachment Commandant of the James L. Hammons, Detachment #939, Incorporated Marine Corps League.  
(County Council)

6. Proposed Resolution to Change the Official Road Name of a Section of Tennessee Avenue (S-599) to ~~Abbeville Avenue~~ Tennessee Lane in County Council District 8. (Hightower)
7. Proposed Resolution to Authorize the Council Chairman to Enter into an Agreement with T.B. Bulldozing for Vintage Vale Road Paving. (Development Committee)
8. Proposed Resolution to Authorize the Council Chairman to Enter into an Agreement with Alternative Construction & Environmental for Asbestos Inspections. (Development Committee)
  - a. Deleted
9. Proposed Resolution to Authorize the Council Chairman to Execute an Amendment to the Contract with Lee Nichols Clark Patterson for Architectural Services for the Design of the Listine Gunter Courtney Human Services Building in Wagener. (Development Committee)
10. Proposed Resolution to Assign the Official Road Name of Sage Cottage Circle (P-1269) to an Existing Unnamed Private Road in County Council District 6. (Development Committee)
11. Proposed Resolution to Delete Cedar Branch Road (C-801) from the List of Roads to be Paved Utilizing the Capital Projects Sales Tax. (Development Committee)
12. Proposed Resolution to Approve a Policy for the Installation of Signage on Private Roads. (Development Committee)
13. Proposed Ordinance to Relinquish Any Residual Ownership in the Council on Aging Offices Located on Morgan Street in Aiken. (Administrative Committee) (Second Reading)
14. Proposed Ordinance to Approve a Proposed Amendment to the Aiken County Official Zoning and Development Atlas to Rezone Tax Parcels 0012-05-05-003, -004, -005, and -006 Located at 401 Hazel Street, 105 Elizabeth Avenue, 101 Elizabeth Avenue, and 403 Hazel Street, Belvedere, South Carolina in Council District 5 from RC to UD. (Butler) (Second Reading)
  - a. Councilman Hightower made a motion for the approval. Councilman Butler seconded.
  - b. Passed by unanimous vote.

(J) ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND THE PUBLIC RECORD

1. Fiscal Year 2005 Aiken County Contingency Report as of March 16, 2005.

(K) INFORMAL MEETING OF WHOLE

1. Councilman Hightower commented on the Chavous case and asked the County Administrator to investigate the potential for an ordinance.
  - a. Councilman Butler made a motion to recess for Executive Session. Councilman Barton seconded.
  - b. The motion to recess passed by unanimous vote.

RECESSED – 7:20 PM

(L) EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Legal Matters:
  - a. Status Report on Pending Litigation, Legal Claims and Legal Advice.  
(County Attorney) (Verbal)
2. Contractual Matters:
3. Personnel Matters:

RECONVENED – 8:07

- a. Councilwoman Rawls made the motion to withdraw the County from the RC&D Council.
- b. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- c. Councilman Bunker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Butler seconded.
- d. The motion to adjourn passed by unanimous vote.

(M) ADJOURNMENT – 8:09 PM

Respectfully submitted,

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Barbara Strait, Office Manager  
Administrator's Office

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Ronnie Young, Chairman